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With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. Enclosed for the Examiner's information is a copy of the Japanese Search Report. At least some of the references were recently cited in a Japanese Search Report mailed June 17, 2003.

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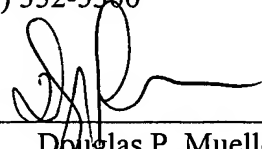
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
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	5,583,076	12/1996	Yoshizawa et al.			
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